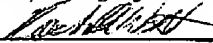


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**PETITION TO THE COMMISSIONER UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181(A)  
TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**

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Sir:

This is a Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment of the above-identified patent application. The facts of such abandonment are as follows. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on March 19, 2004, indicating the application went abandoned for "failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on August 11, 2003." However, Applicant did reply to the Office letter. Enclosed please find the following, showing proper submission of the Response to Office Action.

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- 1) Copy of the Response to Office Action dated November 3, 2003 (5 pages); and
- 2) Copy of date stamped Return Receipt Postcard showing receipt of the Response by the Office on November 5, 2003.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the holding of abandonment of the above-identified patent application be withdrawn. Acknowledgement of the active status of this application is respectfully requested.

It is believed no fee is due with this Petition. If, however, a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct the fee from Deposit Account No. 08-2442 of the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
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